

CHAPTER 89

STATE FORESTS; TREE PLANTING; FOREST ROADS

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Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, out of any money appropriated to the commissioner of natural resources for the purchase of tree seeds and seed cones the commissioner of finance shall pay to the commissioner upon request the amounts deemed necessary by the commissioner to maintain an inventory of tree seeds and seed cones to assure an adequate supply for the nursery and forestry development needs of the department and to pay for the seeds and seed cones in cash at the time of delivery.

The commissioner shall deposit any money received pursuant to this section in a state depository subject to withdrawal for disbursement by check for the purposes described by the commissioner or authorized agent.

The commissioner of finance shall prescribe rules by which the commissioner of natural resources shall account for the expenditures made pursuant to this section and may require an additional bond to cover all money paid to the commissioner of natural resources for disbursement pursuant to this section. Any bond premiums shall be paid by the commissioner from money available for that purpose.

Unless the legislature specifically otherwise directs in any act appropriating money to the commissioner of natural resources for the purchase of tree seeds and seed cones, money paid to the commissioner pursuant to this section shall not cancel on June 30 of any fiscal year and shall be available for expenditure in the ensuing fiscal year.

History: 2003 c 112 art 2 s 50